

FEB Veterans Affairs Committee Meeting Agenda
January 26, 2017, 1:30-3:00 PM
Location – NARA

Opening / Sign In

Greg Giese
Larry Hisle
AJ Mooney
John Cleveland
David DeWitt
James Edwards

James White
Mackenzie Smith
David Teska
John Rogers
Jim Stephens
Donna Mayfield

Mike Ciliege
Lorelei Schieferdecker
Vanessa Thomson
Willie Hensel

FEB Old Business:

1. Action Items from Previous Meeting(s): All three action items were discussed.
2. Committee Meeting Rules: The proposed list of rules were adopted by the committee members present unanimously. All committee members were informed that items could be added or removed if approved by the committee.

FEB Veteran Affairs Committee
Proposed Committee Meeting Rules

- Hold all scheduled meetings. If unable to attend a scheduled meeting, please designate an alternate.
 - Arrive on time and be prepared for the meeting.
 - Prepare and follow an agenda for all meetings unless the agenda is changed with agreement of the Committee.
 - Cell phones off or on vibrate. If you need to take a call, quietly exit outside the meeting room.
 - One person speaking at a time.
 - Be a good listener.
 - Respect what others have to say.
 - No service ribbing (Navy vs. Marines, etc.) or using service nick names (Jarhead, Puddle Pirates, Grunts, Zoomies, etc.)
 - When communicating address the entire group – limit sidebar conversations
 - Be professional.
 - Keep meetings to allotted times.
3. Direction of the FEBVAC for FY2017: Committee members unanimously approved for CY 2017 to support the projects: Kansas City Veterans Career and Resource Fair, Stand Down, and either Habitat for Humanity or Veterans Community Project. The potential Veteran's Day Celebration would be discussed in more detail at another time. The prospect for veteran workshops sponsored by the Small Business Committee will also be explored.

4. Filling Committee Positions and Restructuring.

- a. Current Committee Positions: The committee unanimously accepted and approved the nominations of committee officers of John Rogers for Vice Chair and AJ Mooney for Scribe.
 - b. The committee also unanimously accepted and approved the nominations of committee Program Coordinators for Vanessa Thompson for Education Benefits, James White for Guest Speakers, McKenzie Smith for Women Veterans, and Dennis Branson for Veteran History Project.
 - c. The committee unanimously accepted and approved the removal of two and establishment of one Program Coordinator positions. The positions for Employment Benefits and Other Programs Status were removed. The positions for Community Outreach Resources and Kansas City Veteran Career and Resource Fair were established.
 - d. Nominations for the Program Coordinators of Community Outreach Resources and Kansas City Veteran Career and Resource Fair will be accepted until February 9, 2017, by 4 PM, at which time a list of nominations will be sent to the committee via email. A vote, if two or more nominations for a position, or an approval of the nominations will be due by 5 PM, February 10, 2016. Results will be distributed to the committee no later than noon, February 13, 2017.
5. Hallmark Job Postings: The Hallmark job postings sent to the committee by Jessica Cox of Hallmark, are not veteran specific. Ms. Cox also confirmed that Hallmark does not have opportunities for veterans only, nor do then provide veteran preference when making hiring decision. Based on this information, the committee unanimously approved not to no longer forward job postings that are not veteran specific. It was recommended that future veteran-specific job postings be forwarded to the program coordinator for Kansas City Veterans Career and Resource Fair, so the fair can be promoted, and not to committee members. Continuing to send employment notices to federal employees may put committee members in unwanted situations.

FEB New Business: None

Open Discussion:

1. Open enrollment for the ACA marketplace ends on January 31, 2017.
2. Requests were made for a lists of responsibilities of the program coordinator positions. The current Program Coordinators will be heavily involved in the development of these responsibilities.
3. Expectations were discussed of the committee member and program coordinators regarding participation due to potentially large time commitments of some of the supported events. The expectation is that no one will have to participate in everything for an event. The committee will be responsible for organizing events and soliciting other federal employees to participate.

Action Items: Next FEB Veteran Affairs Meeting will be on February 16, 2017, NARA, and open to public.

Future FEB Veterans Affairs Meeting

- a. February 16, 2017, NARA, Open to public.
- b. March 16, 2017, NARA, Open to public.